

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-13. (cancelled)

14. (currently amended) A ~~composition~~ nutritional supplement for the prevention and/or treatment of disorders of the digestive tract, which comprises probiotics comprising at least one bacterial strain and at least one yeast strain and 40-80 weight % of one or more oligosaccharides that are non-digestible by humans, said ~~composition~~ supplement being in dried form.

15. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, wherein the one or more oligosaccharides have a degree of polymerization of 2 to 20.

16. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 15, wherein the oligosaccharides have a degree of polymerization of 2 to 10.

17. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 15, wherein the oligosaccharides have a degree of polymerization of 2 to 6.

18. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, wherein the one or more oligosaccharides have been obtained by the hydrolysis of one or more

polysaccharides selected from the group consisting of  $\beta$ -(arabino)galactans,  $\beta$ -(arabino)xylans,  $\beta$ -glucans,  $\beta$ -glucomannans,  $\beta$ -galactomannans,  $\alpha$ -arabans, inulin and combinations thereof.

19. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 15, wherein the oligosaccharides have been obtained by the hydrolysis of one or more polysaccharides selected from the group consisting of  $\beta$ -(arabino)galactans,  $\beta$ -(arabino)xylans,  $\beta$ -glucans,  $\beta$ -glucomannans,  $\beta$ -galactomannans,  $\alpha$ -arabans, inulin and combinations thereof.

20. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 18, wherein the one or more polysaccharides are selected from the group consisting of  $\beta$ -(arabino)galactans,  $\beta$ -glucomannans,  $\beta$ -(arabino)xylans and combinations thereof.

21. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, wherein the oligosaccharides are produced by hydrolysis of one or more fibers originating from oats, wheat, potatoes, sugar beet, and soya polysaccharides.

22. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 15, wherein the oligosaccharides are produced by hydrolysis of one or more fibers originating from oats, wheat, potatoes, sugar beet, and soya polysaccharide.

23. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, wherein at least one of the bacterial strains comprises one or more strains of a *Lactobacillus* or one

or more strains of a *Bifidobacterium* species and the at least one yeast strain is a strain of a *Saccharomyces* species.

24. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, further comprising dead yeast cells.

25. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, wherein the ratio between the probiotics and the one or more non-digestible oligosaccharides is in the range of 1 to 5 g oligosaccharides per  $10^8$  to  $10^{11}$  cells of the probiotics.

26. (currently amended) The ~~composition~~ supplement according to claim 14, which contains the probiotics in a concentration of  $10^7$  to  $10^{11}$  live cells per gram of total product.

27-55. (cancelled)